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### **DEQ posts EPA presentations related to greenhouse gasses on Web site**

BATON ROUGE -- In November, a DEQ representative attended a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency presentation in Washington D.C. concerning greenhouse gasses. The event was entitled State-EPA Dialogue on Climate Change.

The presentations were intended to update interested parties on EPA and state actions concerning greenhouse gasses. DEQ has a summary of the presentations from the meeting, as well as other related EPA presentations, available on its Web site at [www.deq.louisiana.gov](http://www.deq.louisiana.gov)

Because of the possible implications concerning federal actions in regards to possible regulation on greenhouse gasses, DEQ will be evaluating EPA's actions to determine the potential impacts on Louisiana's businesses and residents. For example, will greenhouse gas monitoring or regulations at a municipal solid waste landfill mean increased costs for the landfill owners and for those who use the landfill's services? Will businesses that compost manure for fertilizer have to pay additional costs that may be passed on to the consumer? What benefits may result from additional regulation? There are many more questions that need to be answered for the citizens of the state.

The department also plans to provide additional information concerning the presentations on the DEQ Web site. Be sure to check back to see if information has been supplied to answer questions on the presentations. As the department reaches a scientific conclusions on the information provided in the report, then that additional information will be updated on the Web.

If there are questions concerning the presentation, please email [rodney.mallett@la.gov](mailto:rodney.mallett@la.gov) and we will try to have an answer in our final summary document.

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